

# Emanuel First Evangelical Lutheran Church



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*Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS)*

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## Notes for Visitors:

- **Welcome!** If you are a guest this morning, please fill out a cream colored card. These cards are placed in every pew. One side of the card is for members receiving communion, the other side is for visitors. You may place the card in the collection plate. Feel free to also speak with one of the pastors to introduce yourself or ask any questions.
- **Restrooms** are located in the hallway north of the sanctuary.
- **Nursery Room:** If you need a quiet place for your children, we have a room near the church offices. If you need help finding the room, please ask an usher for assistance.
- **Hymnals:** Use the blue hymn books in the rack ahead of your pew to follow along in the service. If you need help or guidance, please ask someone nearby to assist you.

## January 21, 2024

*Third Sunday after Epiphany*

### *The Pastors' Notes*

There is only one Savior—Jesus. The work of salvation belongs to him alone. Yet as he reveals himself to us in the Epiphany season, he shows how our lives have meaning and purpose in this: he shares some of his saving work with us. Last week, we heard about how he calls us to be followers. And this week, he calls us to make even more followers. To some in his kingdom—prophets, apostles, pastors, missionaries, teachers—he calls to do this full-time. But he calls *all* believers to spread his message. You have the calling to share the good news of salvation in Jesus with whomever he brings into your life. This important task does require commitment—a willingness to abandon everything else should faithfulness require it. This is the life-changing revelation for this week. Jesus has committed us to an important task: the privilege to play a role in his saving work.

## Order Of Worship: Setting Three pg. 188

Hymns.....914; 743; 695; 692  
 ELS Choir (10:30).....*I Will Sing of My Redeemer* (Hymn 527)  
 Sermon Theme.....Mark 1:14-20

### *Proclamation and Obedience*

## Prayer Of The Day

Almighty God, you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit that we too may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

1 Then the word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time: 2 “Get up. Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to it the message that I tell you.”

3 So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh just as the word of the Lord had commanded. Now Nineveh was a great city to God. It required a three-day walk. 4 Jonah walked through the city for a day, and he called out, “Forty more days and Nineveh is going to be overthrown!”

5 The men of Nineveh believed God. They proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least.

10 When God saw their actions, that they had turned from their evil way, God relented from the disaster which he said he would bring on them, and he did not carry it out.

## Psalm 62

## Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

14 For the love of Christ compels us, because we came to this conclusion: One died for all; therefore, all died. 15 And he died for all, so that those who live would no longer live for themselves but for him, who died in their place and was raised again.

16 As a result, from now on, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we knew Christ according to the flesh, we no longer know him that way. 17 So then, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away. The new has come! 18 And all these things are from God, who reconciled

us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation. 19 That is, God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them. And he has entrusted to us the message of reconciliation. 20 Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, inasmuch as God is making an appeal through us. We urge you, on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. 21 God made him, who did not know sin, to become sin for us, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

*(Seasonal Verse: Epiphany)*

*I will declare your name to my people; in the assembly I will praise you.  
(Psalm 22:22)*

### **Gospel: Mark 1:14-20**

14 After John was put in prison, Jesus went to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God. 15 "The time is fulfilled," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near! Repent, and believe in the gospel."

16 As Jesus was going along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea, since they were fishermen. 17 Jesus said to them, "Come, follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." 18 Immediately they left their nets and followed him. 19 Going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat mending the nets. 20 Immediately Jesus called them. They left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

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